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NOTE FOR: The Director
FROM : ADDI
SUBJECT : Security Assistance Review

As you requested, I contacted [redacted] regarding CIA participation in the interagency review of the Mutual Assistance Program. I met with Bill and his working group on 15 November.

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The essential purpose of the review is to undertake a completely fresh appraisal of the entire program to determine its relevance and importance to US foreign policy objectives in today's world. In our discussions at the 15 November meeting, it was agreed that the principal contribution of the Agency would be to provide intelligence on economic aspects of the question, particularly regarding the capabilities of LDCs to finance their own military programs. I believe that most of our input can be made from material that is on the shelf, and the effort will not require very much new research.

I have designated [redacted] Deputy Director/OER, to serve as the Agency representative on this working group.

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